Robbins, Joanne

From: LI, Mei Sun
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2009 10:11 AM
To: Robbins, Joanne
Cc: Russell, Jennifer; Tatzin, Don
Subject: RE: Request for Proclamation-Fall Prevention Program of Contra Costa County

The Senior Commission did officially and unanimously make this recommendation yesterday afternoon....It'll be in our minutes. Let me know if you need anything else.
Mei Sun

From: Robbins, Joanne
Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 9:37 AM
To: LI, Mei Sun
Cc: Russell, Jennifer; Tatzin, Don
Subject: FW: Request for Proclamation-Fall Prevention Program of Contra Costa County

Hi Mei Sun: The mayor has asked that you agendize the attached for your next Senior Services Commission meeting and make a recommendation to the council. Please call if you have any questions.

Joanne Robbins, CMC
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From: Don Tatzin [mailto:dontatzin@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Friday, August 07, 2009 3:39 PM
To: Robbins, Joanne
Subject: Fw: Request for Proclamation-Fall Prevention Program of Contra Costa County

Hi Joanne,

Please forward this to the Senior Services Commission and ask them for a recommendation.

Thanks,

Don

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From: Gennifer Mountain <gmountain@mowsos.org>
To: Gennifer Mountain <gmountain@mowsos.org>
Sent: Friday, August 7, 2009 3:25:50 PM
Subject: Request for Proclamation-Fall Prevention Program of Contra Costa County

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August 7,2009

Dear Mayors and City Council Members,

As you know, older adult falls are a pressing issue with our growing older adult population. In 2006 there were 2,172 older adults who were hospitalized as a result of falls in Contra Costa County. The average cost of a fall related hospitalization in this county is $52,447.Contra Costa is expected to experience an older adult growth rate of 128% to 180 % over the next 15 years.

In an effort to help raise awareness about how to reduce falls SCR 77 (Lowenthal) "Fall Prevention Awareness Week, Sept 21-27" has passed the California State Senate and the Assembly. On September 15,2009 Contra Costa County will receive, a signed Proclamation by the Board of Supervisors declaring the week of Sept 21-27 "Fall Prevention Awareness Week" in Contra Costa County.

We are asking you to issue a proclamation declaring the week of Sept 21-27 "Fall Prevention Awareness Week" in your city. One of the members of the Fall Prevention Coalition would like to attend your meeting, and do a 3 minute presentation at the time of receiving the proclamation.

Members of the Fall Prevention Coalition of Contra Costa County will be working with senior service providers throughout the county to help organize events at 20 C.C cafes to raise fall prevention awareness. By making it an "Officially" recognized week you will help highlight the importance of older adults and their service providers working together to lower fall risk and avoid this life altering event.

The Fall Prevention Program of Contra Costa County is working to be a great advocate in senior injury prevention in California and this is a great opportunity to show that every elected official in this county recognizes the enormity of this issue.

I'm attaching a copy of the wording of the Contra Costa County Proclamation.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this event, please contact me.

Thank you for your participation,

Gennifer Mountain

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, older adult falls are a pressing issue with our growing older adult population. In 2006 there were 2,172 older adults who were hospitalized as a result of falls in Contra Costa County.

WHEREAS, the average cost of a fall-related hospitalization in this county $52,447. Contra Costa is expected to experience an older adult growth rate of 128% to 180% over the next 15 years; and

WHEREAS, injuries from falls are a largely preventable community health problem. The cause of falls is composed of multiple contributing factors including lack of strength in the lower extremities, the use of multiple medications, reduced vision, chronic health problems and unsafe environments; and

WHEREAS, concentrated efforts are being made in Contra Costa County to reduce falls and fall-related injuries by using multi-faceted interventions; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to help raise awareness about how to reduce falls SCR 77 (Lowenthal) "Fall Prevention Awareness Week", September 21-27, has passed the California State Senate and the Assembly. On September 15, 2009 Contra Costa County will receive a signed Proclamation by the Board of Supervisors declaring the week of September 21-27, 2009 as "Fall Prevention Awareness Week" in Contra Costa County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I Don Tatzin, Mayor, on behalf of the Lafayette City Council do hereby proclaim September 21-27, 2009 as ***"Fall Prevention Awareness Week".***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the City Seal this 14th day of September, 2009.

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Don Tatzin, Mayor

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